

“A die hard legend”

-Audio from the past [E16], Pierre Clostermann (18 kills, 10 FW-190 kills, RAF mission record holder at 432): "So there are legends on the Spitfire... Aaaah the legends... **Legends are hard to kill.** One of those legends is that the Spitfire turned better than the Messerschmitt 109, **or the FW-190. Well that is a good joke...** In fact all those who found themselves with a 109 turning inside them, at low speeds, well those in general did not come back to complain about the legend... Why? **Above 280 to 300 knots,** the Spitfire turned better than the Me-109. But, first and foremost, in a turning battle, **the speed goes down and down and down and down,** and at one point there comes a time, **when the speed has gone down below 200 knots, that the Me-109 turns inside the Spitfire.**"